

## Senate Resolution 447

By: Senators Shafer of the 48th, Moody of the 27th, Collins of the 6th and Hall of the 22nd

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Creating the Senate Teleworking Study Commission; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the growth and strain on current road systems in the metropolitan Atlanta area  
3 has resulted in an average one-way commute time of 36 minutes; and
- 4 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State of Georgia to encourage alternative methods to  
5 reduce traffic congestion while maintaining productivity; and
- 6 WHEREAS, teleworking is a viable means to reduce the number of automobiles on Georgia's  
7 congested roads; and
- 8 WHEREAS, teleworking also may encourage economic development in rural areas.
- 9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that there is created the Senate  
10 Teleworking Study Committee to be composed of five members of the Senate to be  
11 appointed by the Senate Committee on Assignments. The Senate Committee on Assignments  
12 shall designate a member of the committee as chairperson of the committee. The chairperson  
13 shall call all meetings of the committee.
- 14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the commission shall undertake a study of the  
15 conditions, needs, issues, and problems of traffic congestion in the metropolitan Atlanta area  
16 and how teleworking may alleviate such congestion and may recommend any actions or  
17 legislation which the commission deems appropriate. The commission shall examine the  
18 effect of teleworking on traffic and worker productivity and any incentives that may  
19 encourage greater participation in teleworking. The committee may conduct such meetings  
20 at such places and at such times as it may deem necessary or convenient to enable it to  
21 exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its duties, and accomplish the objectives  
22 and purposes of this resolution. The members of the committee shall receive the allowances  
23 authorized for legislative members of interim legislative committees but shall receive the

1 same for not more than five days unless additional days are authorized. The funds necessary  
2 to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come from the funds appropriated to the  
3 Senate. In the event the committee makes a report of its findings and recommendations, with  
4 suggestions for proposed legislation, if any, such report shall be made on or before  
5 December 31, 2003. The committee shall stand abolished on December 31, 2003.